

# Saint Cecilia

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

2900 Hoover Avenue • Ames, IA 50010

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February 14, 2010

Sixth Sunday

In Ordinary Time



**W**e are called one by one and as a community to become part of the living presence of Jesus Christ. We are united with the Father and strengthened and enlivened by the Holy Spirit. We are committed daily to love and serve others as Jesus did.

## *Ash Wednesday Liturgies & Masses*

February 17, 2010

7:00AM Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes

9:00AM All School Mass with Distribution of Ashes

5:30PM Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes

7:00PM Mass with Distribution of Ashes

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Religious Education & Youth Ministry Registration

Registration for Religious Education and Youth Ministry programs is always available in the Religious Education Office 8:00AM-4:00PM Monday—Friday.

**LIFE TEEN welcomes all High Schoolers**  
**Meets from 6:30-9PM each Sunday!**

**February 14: Teen Mass, 6:00PM**

**February 14:** Topic: For Better or Worse—The Vocation of Marriage

**February 21:** Topic: A House Divided—Divorce

[www.saintcecilielifeteen.net](http://www.saintcecilielifeteen.net)

*Discussion Questions for Families will be available each week at*  
*<http://www.saintcecilielifeteen.net/parents>*

**Ninth Grade Confirmation Calendar:**

**Wednesday, March 3:** Supper Time/Jesus in the Mass

**Tenth Grade Confirmation Calendar:**

**February 17:** The Gifts of the Holy Spirit/The Gifts & Fruits of the Holy Spirit

**\*\*MIDDLE SCHOOL R.E. meets from 7 to 8:30PM**  
**on the 1st, 3rd, & 4th Wednesdays!!\*\***

**February 17:** No class—Ash Wednesday

**February 24:** Class, 7-8:30PM Topic: Sin & Forgiveness

**YIKES:**

### RCIA

Call John Hayes for information about joining the Catholic Church at 232-3514.

### Baptism Class

Our next preparation session is **February 4, 2010**, 6:30-8:00PM in the A/Y Room. **All parents seeking baptism for their child are expected to attend a preparation session even though they may have attended previously.** To register for the class or schedule a baptism, please call the Parish office at 233-3092.

### Adult Education

**Scripture Study:** Meets Mondays, 7:30-9:00PM in the North Social Hall.

**Bible Study in Spanish:** Meets Mondays, 6:00-7:00PM in the North Social Hall.

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** Meets 10:00-11:00AM in the North Social Hall. Social time begins at 9:30AM.



Coffee and Donuts will be served after  
8:30Am and 10:30AM masses this Sunday.

### Lent/Holy Week 2010

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation



#### Communal Celebrations:

Sunday, March 7	2PM	St. Cecilia
Thursday, March 11	7PM	St. Thomas Aquinas
Tuesday, March 23	7PM	St. Thomas Aquinas
Thursday, March 25	7PM	St. Cecilia
Wednesday, March 31	7PM	St. Peter & Paul (Gilbert)

#### Individual Celebrations

Saturday Afternoons:	3:30-4:30PM
Fridays: Feb 19,	
March 19 & 26	5:00-5:45PM
Monday, March 29	6:30 –7:30PM
Wednesday, March 31	11:00AM-12:00 Noon

#### Stations of the Cross

The traditional Lenten devotion, **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed each Friday night of Lent at 6PM, with the exception of Good Friday starting time of 2PM.

#### Holy Week

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, March 27/28:** Palms blessed before all Masses. Saturday 5PM and Sunday 8:30AM Masses begin in church. Sunday 10:30AM Mass begins with everyone assembling in multi-purpose room of St. Cecilia School with blessing of palm and Palm Sunday procession to church for Mass.

**Holy Thursday, April 1:** Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30PM

**Good Friday, April 2:** Liturgy of Good Friday at 7PM

**Easter Vigil, April 3:** Vigil Liturgy at 8PM

**Easter Sunday, April 4:** Masses at 7AM, 8:30AM, and 10:30AM



As part of our Lenten activities, the parish will be participating in OPERATION RICE Bowl, a program initiated and administered by Catholic Relief Services. Rice bowls will be available on Ash Wednesday at a table in the Gathering Space as you leave the church. They will also be in baskets on either side of the back entrance to the church. Please pick one up at your convenience.

**Saint Cecilia Social Concerns** plans to sponsor garden plots for needy families this spring and summer at Black's Heritage Farm. If you have buckets (including ice cream buckets), garden tools, or plants you'd be willing to donate, or if you have gardening experience and would be willing to mentor a family, please call Mary Ross at 232-5080 or Lynn Franco at 232-0898.

#### The Marshalltown Christian Experience Weekend for 2010 will be:

Women's Weekend — Feb 20-22, at St. Henry Parish in Marshalltown  
Men's Weekend — April 30-May 2 at Pilgrim Heights Camp Retreat Center in Montour, IA

For questions contact Patty Mayer, [sthenrysre@marshallnet.com](mailto:sthenrysre@marshallnet.com), Brian Burlage, [bburlage@heartofiowa.net](mailto:bburlage@heartofiowa.net) or Deacon Ron Smith, [deaconron.ames@gmail.com](mailto:deaconron.ames@gmail.com)

## SCHOOL NEWS

### School Calendar:

**Tues., Feb. 16:** 7pm-Preschool Round Up in Social Hall (see below)

**Wed., Feb. 17:** 9AM All School Mass (Ash Wednesday)

### Preschool Round Up



### Preschool Round Up

If you have a child that will be age 3 or 4 by September 15th, please join us for Preschool Round Up on Tuesday, February 16, 2010, at 7 p.m. in the social hall. This meeting is for parents only and formal registration will be completed that evening. The meeting agenda will be

a short powerpoint presentation by Dr. Thomas Budnik, the principal, and preschool teachers, Mrs. Carrie Froelich and Mrs. Jenni Sillman; followed by question/answer time. All we need from you this evening is your completed registration form along with a \$50 preschool registration fee. Please contact Mrs. Vidimos in the school office at #515-232-5290 if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!

### Scrip Supports St. Cecilia Education

You can again order Scrip every Monday and have your order ready to pick up on Friday. Order forms are available in the school office, parish office, online at the school web site and in the narthex. Profits benefit St. Cecilia education programs. Thank you to all who support St. Cecilia education by using scrip. Contact Connie Vaclav at 232-8343 or [vaclav@iastate.edu](mailto:vaclav@iastate.edu) with any questions.

### The National Alliance on Mental Illness of Central Iowa (NAMI of CI)

will be offering two classes this spring for persons challenged with mental illness and their family members. **Family to Family** is a 12-session course for family members of adults with mental illness, discussing treatments and skills family members need to cope more effectively. This class will meet on Monday evenings beginning February 15.

**Peer to Peer** is a 9-session course on establishing and maintaining wellness for persons with mental illness. It will meet on Sunday afternoons, beginning February 28. All classes and materials are free. Registration

**Saint Cecilia Parish** provides a meal to parishioners who have new babies. Please help us by contacting the Parish Office if you have a new baby and have not been contacted by the parish. You may also help by offering to prepare meals for a family with a new baby. Call the Parish Office to volunteer.

### Room Use Policy

All room use at St. Cecilia must be reserved on the parish calendar. If you plan to use a room at the church or school, please contact the parish office so it can be scheduled on the calendar. Room use for non-parish sponsored activities requires the completion of a reservation form, deposit, and insurance. If the activity involves more than 30 people reservations must be made at least 15 day in advance to obtain proper insurance. Contact the parish office with question about room usage at 233-3092.



## MEETINGS & EVENTS

**St. Cecilia Widows, Widowers, and Single Seniors** group will meet on Sunday, Feb 21, at 12:00 for brunch at Olde Main Brewing Co. Call Pat Rood at 232-3594 for reservations or information.

**Fellowship For Parents/Playgroup** meets every Wednesday from 10:00-11:30AM in the **South Social Hall**. Contact Jon Ryan at [siry-an2@isunet.net](mailto:siry-an2@isunet.net) or 232-2075 or Jenni Mortimer at [starkmortimer@yahoo.com](mailto:starkmortimer@yahoo.com) or 296-1858. All are welcome to attend.

**Social Concerns Committee** will meet Monday, February 15 at 6:30PM in the Sun Room. All are welcome to attend.

**Our Lady's Rosary Makers** will meet Tues. Feb. 16th at 9:30AM at the home of Carol Catus. Anyone wishing to make rosaries please call 233-1393.

### YOUTH FUND RAISER—AMORE MEAL



An Amore Meal will be held February 20. Proceeds benefit kids going on various upcoming youth trips. Participation in the Amore Meal can help cut the cost of the Steubenville or Catholic Heart trip in half.



St. Cecilia  
Choir Practice

**Saint Cecilia Choir will not rehearse Saturday, February 20**, but will resume rehearsal on Saturday February 27 at 9AM in the Music Room. New members are always welcome. For more information contact Bob Hauser at 232-3092.

## ST. THOMAS PARISH

**The Knights of Columbus** council at St. Thomas Aquinas Church will be serving Lenten fish and meatless pasta dinners from 5-7PM on Feb. 19, March 5 and March 26. The cost is \$15 for families, \$7 for adults, \$4 for ages 5 thru college and children age 4 and under are free.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

**EMPLOYMENT HELP!!** Do you have job openings? Are you unemployed and looking for a job? Are you willing to help with resumes or be a mentor for interview skills? Please e-mail your information to [DeaconRon.Jobs@gmail.com](mailto:DeaconRon.Jobs@gmail.com) or send to the attention of Deacon Ron Smith at the parish office.

**The Archdiocesan Catholic Charities' Annual Appeal** is being conducted in all parishes of the Archdiocese the weekend of February 13 & 14. A letter was mailed to your home asking you to support this worthy cause. You can contribute by mailing the envelope to Catholic Charities or put it in the parish collection basket and we will forward your donation to Catholic Charities.

# Catechism of the Catholic Church

## PART ONE: SECTION TWO

### CHAPTER ONE - I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER

#### Article 1— I Believe in God the Father, Creator of Heaven & Earth

##### Paragraph 4. The Creator

*Providence and secondary causes*

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God is the sovereign master of his plan. But to carry it out he also makes use of his creatures' cooperation. This use is not a sign of weakness, but rather a token of almighty God's greatness and goodness. For God grants his creatures not only their existence, but also the dignity of acting on their own, of being causes and principles for each other, and thus of cooperating in the accomplishment of his plan.

### Loras College Grant & Scholarship

Each parish in the Archdiocese has the opportunity to designate **one new** student for the \$500 parish grant (renewable while enrolled at Loras College). The grant recipient's name must reach Loras by April 1, 2010. Please contact Jerry Greving at 233-3092 for more information.

### The Lenten Journey: He Loved Them to the End . . . A Monastic Retreat on the Way of Suffering.

Men and women who are looking for opportunities to strengthen their Lenten observances are invited to join the Trappist monks of New Melleray Abbey, south of Duquue, IA, for this special retreat which will be held on the weekend of February 19-21, 2010 and repeated March 5-7. In addition to talks by members of the monastic community, the retreat will also provide participants with opportunities to enter into the silence and tranquility of the monastery where they can spend time in private meditation and prayer. The registration fee is \$700 with a special commuter rate of \$85 for those who do not stay overnight at the Abbey. Registration for the February retreat is due February 15; March registration is due March 2. To register, call the New Melleray Abbey at 563-588-2319, ext. 110, or visit the Abbey website at [www.newmelleray.org](http://www.newmelleray.org)

## COMMUNITY

### Center for Creative Justice Annual Pancake Supper

Please come to the Center for Creative Justice Annual Pancake Supper in Ames on Sunday, February 21, from 4:30 to 7:30PM at the 1st Baptist Church, 200 Lynn Ave. Funds collected help people in the Ames area work through the requirements of their probation.

**A Friend Indeed: The Bill Sackter Story** will be shown Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 7:00PM at the Great Hall in the Memorial Union on the ISU Campus. The movie explores the way we as a society have treated people with disabilities, from institutional abandonment to community embrace. Bill Sackter's life story was made famous by the made-for-TV movie *Bill* (1981) starring Mickey Rooney as Bill, and Dennis Quaid as the young filmmaker Barry Morrow who had befriended Bill in 1972 and began filming their relationship and adventures. At Morrow's prompting, documentary filmmaker Lane Wyrick took on the project of using his original video footage as well as photographs, film and interviews to produce the documentary *A Friend Indeed*. Wyrick, who is a graduate of the University of Iowa Film School, worked for four years in Los Angeles before returning to Iowa City to pursue his filmmaking career and start his own production company, Xap Interactive. **A discussion with producer Lane Wyrick will follow a screening of the 90-minute documentary film.**

**Stewardship:** The words of the Psalmist echo the theme of all of today's readings. "Happy are they who hope in the Lord." As good stewards, firmly grounded in that Hope, may we bear fruit in due season—assisting the poor, feeding the hungry, and consoling the sorrowful whenever we have the chance.

### 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's unlikely that anyone has wished you "Happy Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time!" And I doubt that any Hallmark store carries fancy cards celebrating the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. It is Valentine's Day, and many cards and chocolates will be proffered to loved ones on this day named after a martyred Roman priest whose feast has become synonymous with the celebration of love.

While St. Valentine's Day is in full swing, this is also the last Sunday before Lent begins. We'll celebrate Ash Wednesday in just a few days and renew our traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Sunday's Gospel can get us ready for that.

We're used to hearing Matthew's version of the Eight Beatitudes. Luke does things a little differently. He gives us only four beatitudes, paralleled by "woes." And Luke is very concrete. If you're poor, you'll be rich. If you're rich, you'll be poor. If you're hungry, you'll be filled, and vice versa. Luke's blessings and woes provide a good challenge for us as we enter into Lent. Our fasting and almsgiving are directed at balancing out that equation of emptying ourselves to help the poor and the hungry. In doing that, we can become a blessing to others, and at the same time, bring about less woe in this suffering world.

So maybe it is appropriate that we celebrate Valentine's Day (and the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time) with a Gospel about blessings and woes. After all, true love isn't always easy; it demands some sacrifice. We'll be asked to sacrifice during Lent, placing a demand on our love. May we be as faithful as that martyred Roman priest, whose name has come to symbolize love, who imitated his Master, by giving up all.

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### Garage Meeting Room Remodel

Project update as of 1/18/2010

Forecasted Cost		\$175,000
Funds Collected	\$51,432	
Funds Pledged	\$37,925	
Total Funds Committed		<u>\$ 89,357</u>
Balance needed		\$ 85,643

### Your Financial Stewardship

	1/25-1/31	FYTD
Contributions (general)	\$25,795	\$649,118
Needed to meet expenses	\$ 19,687	\$629,984
Contributions (building)	\$ 2,739	\$ 78,274

Contact Business Manager, Jerry Greving, for more detailed information or to set up the convenience of automatic withdrawal from your account.

### Planned Giving—Gift Options Bequests

Remembering Saint Cecilia Parish in your will is a simple and creative way to dispose of all or part of your estate if you are satisfied that you have taken care of your family. You can bequeath to your parish a fixed amount, a percentage of your estate or the remainder after other choices have been made. For more information call the parish office or contact Jerry Greving, Parish Business Manager at 233-3092.





# Mass Intentions for the Week

## Saturday, February 13

5:00PM: Maxine McGovern †

## Sunday, February 14

8:30AM: John Pepper

5:00PM: Mike Dunn

Misa en Español (Chapel)

## Tuesday, February 16

7:00AM: Donald Finnegan

5:30PM: Levi Landkame

## Wednesday, February 17

7:00AM: Liturgy of the Word/Distribution of Ashes

9:00AM: Leo Hildeman

5:30PM: Liturgy of the Word/Distribution of Ashes

5:30PM: Bob Doran †

## Thursday, February 18

7:00AM: Leona Skow

5:30PM: Marie & Paul Manning

## Friday, February 19

7:00AM: Bob † & Anna Marie Best

5:30PM: Sue Kimbel

## Saturday, February 20

5:00PM: Sr. Gene Marie OSF

## Sunday, February 21

8:30AM: Parishioners of Saint Cecilia

10:30AM: Delores Rogers

5:00PM: Ron Rasmussen †

Misa en Español (Chapel)

## Prayer Opportunities

*Prayer opportunities held in the Chapel.*

**Scriptural Rosary** Monday 7:00 AM

**Intercessory Prayer Group** Sunday 9:00-10:00 PM

**Rosary** Monday 7:30 PM\*, Tuesday-Friday before 7:00 Mass

(\*The rosary is said for Pro-life the first Monday of each month.)

**Christians in the Spirit** Tuesday 7:15-9:00 PM

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy** Friday 3:00 PM

**Liturgy of the Hours** Saturday 7:00 AM

**Eucharistic Adoration** The chapel is open daily.

Keypad access only between 10:00PM & 6:00AM. Call the parish office (233-3092) for access information or to sign up for an adoration hour.

## Prayer Chain

Send requests to Marge Sutter at 233-2622 or

[stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com](mailto:stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com).

## Readings for the Week of February 7, 2010

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

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## Mass Schedule

**Weekend:** Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 8:30, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM (Misa en Español)

**Weekday:** Tuesday-Friday 7:00AM & 5:30 PM (Chapel)

\*\*\*Please Note: Change in afternoon Mass from 5:15 to 5:30.\*\*\*

## Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM and by appointment.

## Parish Office

Hours..... Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-4:30 PM

Phone..... (515) 233-3092

Fax ..... (515) 233-6423

Rectory..... (515) 233-9477

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor** ..... Father James Secora  
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## Religious Education

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## School

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**Administrative Assistant** ..... Lois Vidimos  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return via mail or drop in collection basket.  
Someone will contact you. You will receive a registration packet with additional information.

Welcome to Saint Cecilia Parish.